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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Local Government Officials and Other Interested Parties

**FROM:** Iris C. Payne, Director   
Division of Rural Economic Development

**DATE:** July 19, 2021

**SUBJECT:** 2021 CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization (CDBG-NR) Program

**Administering Agency:** Division of Rural Economic Development (REDD), N.C.  
Department of Commerce, 301 North Wilmington Street, 4346  
Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-4346

**Program Description:** The CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization (CDBG-NR) category is designed to provide grants to local unit of governments for housing, housing- related activities, and public facilities. Awards are made on a competitive basis based on the number of applications received compared to funding availability.

**Eligibility Guidelines:** All municipalities in North Carolina are eligible to receive Small Cities CDBG funds with special consideration for pre-2015 CDBG grants that were impacted by the US Treasury recapture, except for the 24 entitlement cities in the state that receive funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The North Carolina entitlement cities are listed as follows: **Asheville, Burlington, Cary, Chapel Hill, Charlotte, Concord, Durham, Fayetteville, Gastonia, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Greenville, Hickory, High Point, Jacksonville, Kannapolis, Lenoir, Morganton, New Bern, Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Salisbury, Wilmington, and Winston-Salem.**

All counties, except for the four HUD-designated urban counties of **Wake, Cumberland, Mecklenburg, and Union** are eligible to apply for Small Cities CDBG funds. All municipalities in the

two counties are ineligible to apply for Small Cities CDBG funds except the **Town of Holly Springs** in Wake County and the **Town of Linden** in Cumberland County.

**Source of Funds:** Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Funding Level:** Award Ceiling (Maximum) \$750,000

**Total Funding Available:** Approximately \$10,000,000

**2021 Updates** The changes for the 2021 program:

- encourages pre-2015 projects impacted by US Treasury recapture;
- waives requirements that applicants must not have an open CDBG-NR grant;
- allows transitional housing and emergency shelters to be submitted as a stand-alone project;
- clarifies that Housing Selection Committee requirements must be met to be considered for funding;
- requires that the Chief Elected Official's email address be added to the Application Summary signature line; and
- requires that all applications be submitted by US Postal Service or an overnight delivery service. Applications cannot not be hand-delivered to NC Commerce.

**Funding Cycle:** Applications are due by **4:00 PM on Thursday, October 14, 2021**. To acquire an application, see [www.nccommerce.com](http://www.nccommerce.com) or contact Valerie.Moore@nccommerce.com.

**For Additional Information:** Contact Valerie D. Moore Fegans at (919) 814-4673 (office), (TDD 1-800-735-2962), or [Valerie.Moore@nccommerce.com](mailto:Valerie.Moore@nccommerce.com).